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September 3, 2003

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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment to California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment includes programming modifications to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization, portion of the State and applies specifically to any or all of the twenty-one rural air quality attainment counties.

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|------------|------------------------|
| 8 | Transit Element |

- Federal Transit Administration (FTA) – Section 3037 Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) Program (MPO ID: FTA3037): Modifies funding for this lump sum project to program two projects for the Mendocino Transit Authority to provide operating assistance. The amendment programs an additional \$120,000 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002/03 and a total of \$120,000 in FY 2003/04 to provide operating assistance for various transit routes in Mendocino County. See enclosure.

The updated programming is for projects in air quality attainment areas that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this FTIP Amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. This project is included and submitted by Caltrans through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

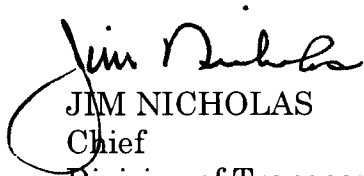
In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. This amendment was prepared under that process

Mr. Michael G. Ritchie/Mr. Leslie T. Rogers
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permitting citizens, affected local agencies and other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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JIM NICHOLAS

Chief

Division of Transportation Programming

Enclosure

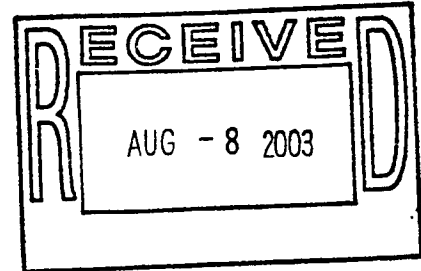
c: Abhijit Bagde – Caltrans
Nephele Barrett – Mendocino Council of Governments

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August 6, 2003

Mr. Kris Balaji, Chief
Office of Federal Transportation Management Program, MS 82
Department of Transportation
1120 N Street
Sacramento, CA 95814



Re: FSTIP Amendment

Dear Mr. Balaji:

On July 31 this office sent you a request to process an FSTIP amendment in order to program two Jobs Access and Reverse Commute projects for the Mendocino Transit Authority. At that time, the Mendocino Council of Governments Board had not yet approved the corresponding Regional Transportation Improvement Program amendment. That amendment has now been approved and a copy of the executed resolution is attached. Please include this with our request for FSTIP amendment. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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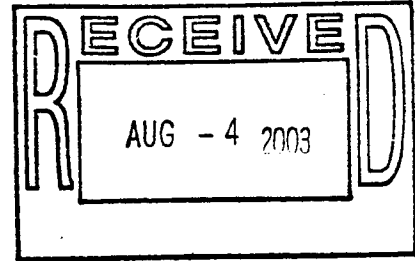
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July 31, 2003

Mr. Kris Balaji, Chief
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Re: FSTIP Amendment

Dear Mr. Balaji:

The Mendocino Council of Governments has prepared the Sixth Amendment to the 2002 RTIP, and now requests that an FSTIP amendment be processed in order to program two projects for the Mendocino Transit Authority which have been awarded funding from the Job Access and Reverse Commute grant program. These projects will be in jeopardy of losing funding if they are not included in the FSTIP by September 10, so your prompt action would be greatly appreciated.

The projects to be programmed into the FSTIP are listed below:

Source: FTA Sect. 3707-Job Access & Reverse Commute (competitive)
Year: FY 01
Amount: \$79,368
Purpose: Operating Assistance – Laytonville-Willits in FY 03/04

Source: FTA Sect. 3707-Job Access & Reverse Commute (competitive)
Year: FY 02
Amount: \$80,000
Purpose: Operating Assistance – Laytonville-Willits, Hopland-Ukiah and Talmage Ukiah in FY 02/03

The required match for these projects will be provided by the Mendocino Transit Authority using TDA funds, as well as funds from Mendocino County Office of Education, Mendocino County Department of Social Services, and Air Quality Management District.

The Mendocino Council of Governments has not yet taken action on the amendment adding these projects to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program. However, approval of the amendment is anticipated at our August 4, 2003 meeting. We are sending this request in advance to ensure timely processing of the FSTIP amendment. Once action is taken, we will forward a copy of the executed resolution.

Mendocino Council of Governments

BOARD of DIRECTORS

RESOLUTION No. M2003-13

ADOPTING SIXTH AMENDMENT TO 2002 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP)

WHEREAS,

- The Mendocino Council of Governments (MCOG) is the designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Mendocino County; and
- At their meeting of December 3, 2001, the Mendocino Council of Governments adopted the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and
- At their meeting of April 1, 2002, the Mendocino Council of Governments adopted the First Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and
- At their meeting of August 5, 2002, the Mendocino Council of Governments adopted the Second Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and
- At their meeting of February 3, 2003, the Mendocino Council of Governments adopted the Third Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and
- At their meeting of March 3, 2003, the Mendocino Council of Governments adopted the Fourth and Fifth Amendments to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program; and
- The Mendocino Transit Authority has applied for Federal Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant program funding; and
- In order to be eligible for JARC funding, projects must be included in the Regional Transportation Improvement Program as well as the Federal State Transportation Improvement Program; and
- There is now a need to adopt a Sixth Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program in order to program the following Job Access and Reverse Commute grant projects for the Mendocino Transit Authority:
 - Operating Assistance: Laytonville-Willits in FY 03/04
Source Year: FY 01
Grant Amount: \$79,368

- Operating Assistance: Laytonville-Willits, Hopland-Ukiah, and Talmage-Ukiah in FY 02/03
Source Year: FY 02
Grant Amount: \$80,000
- The Mendocino Transit Authority will utilize TDA funds, as well as funding from the Mendocino County Office of Education, Mendocino County Department of Social Services, and Air Quality Management District to provide the match required by the JARC program; and
- This Amendment will not result in any additional funding commitments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

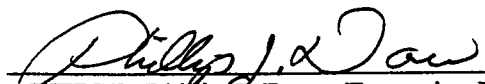
The Mendocino Council of Governments finds that the Sixth Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) is consistent with Mendocino County's adopted Regional Transportation Plan; and

The Mendocino Council of Governments hereby adopts the Sixth Amendment to the 2002 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), and directs staff to forward this resolution and the appropriate documentation to Caltrans for processing of a Federal State Transportation Improvement Program Amendment.

ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION was moved by Director Larson, seconded by Director McEntire, and approved on this 4th day of August, 2003, by the following roll call vote:

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| AYES: | Directors Fell (PAC), McEntire, Larson, Wharff, Dahlhoff, Gjerde, and Campbell |
| NOES: | None |
| ABSTAINING: | None |
| ABSENT: | Shoemaker |

WHEREUPON, the Chairman declared the resolution adopted, AND SO ORDERED.


ATTEST: Phillip J. Dow, Executive Director


Chairman

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Please feel free to contact this office if you have any questions. Again, prompt action on this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Phillip J. Dow". The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Phillip J. Dow
Executive Director

Rural Non-MPO - Federal Transportation Improvement Program

(Dollars in Thousands)

Transit System

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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------|
| DIST: VA | COUNTY: Various Counties | TITLE (DESCRIPTION): | MPO Aprv: / / |
| ROUTE: | PM: | Federal Transit Administration 3037 (FTA 3037 - Job Access and reverse Commute) | State Aprv: / / |
| PPNO: | KP: | | Federal Aprv: / / |
| EA: | MPO ID: FTA3037 | | |
| CTIPS ID: 230-0000-0058 | | | |
| IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Various Agencies | PRJ MGR: | EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY: | |
| | PHONE: | | |

PROJECT VERSION HISTORY (Printed Version is Shaded)

| Version | Status | Official Date | Updated By | Change Reason | Amend No. | Dollars in Thousands - Total For Project | | | |
|---------|----------|---------------|------------|------------------------------------|-----------|--|---------|----|--|
| | | | | | | Prog Con | Prog RW | PE | |
| 3 | Active | 09/03/2003 | MPOBAGDE | Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change | 8 | 1,658 | | | |
| 2 | Official | 11/26/2002 | MPOBAGDE | Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change | 1 | 1,418 | | | |
| 1 | Official | 09/16/2002 | MPOBAGDE | Adoption - New Project | | 300 | | | |

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| • FTA Funds - | PRIOR | 02/03 | 03/04 | 04/05 | 05/06 | 06/07 | 07/08 | BEYOND | TOTAL |
| • Fund Source 1 of 3 | PE | | | | | | | | |
| • Fund Type: FTA3037 Job Access and Reverse Commute | RW | | | | | | | | |
| • Funding Agency: Various Agencies | CON | 780 | 80 | | | | | | 860 |
| | TOTAL | 780 | 80 | | | | | | 860 |
| • Locally Generated Funds - | PRIOR | 02/03 | 03/04 | 04/05 | 05/06 | 06/07 | 07/08 | BEYOND | TOTAL |
| • Fund Source 2 of 3 | PE | | | | | | | | |
| • Fund Type: Local Transportation Funds | RW | | | | | | | | |
| • Funding Agency: Various Agencies | CON | 718 | | | | | | | 718 |
| | TOTAL | 718 | | | | | | | 718 |
| • Locally Generated Funds - | PRIOR | 02/03 | 03/04 | 04/05 | 05/06 | 06/07 | 07/08 | BEYOND | TOTAL |
| • Fund Source 3 of 3 | PE | | | | | | | | |
| • Fund Type: TDA | RW | | | | | | | | |
| • Funding Agency: Various Agencies | CON | 40 | 40 | | | | | | 80 |
| | TOTAL | 40 | 40 | | | | | | 80 |
| Project Total | PRIOR | 02/03 | 03/04 | 04/05 | 05/06 | 06/07 | 07/08 | BEYOND | TOTAL |
| | PE | | | | | | | | |
| | RW | | | | | | | | |
| | CON | 1,538 | 120 | | | | | | 1,658 |
| | TOTAL | 1,538 | 120 | | | | | | 1,658 |

Comments:

***** Version 3 - 08/29/2003 *****

Modified funding per letter from Mendocino County of Governments

***** Version 2 - 11/05/2002 *****

***** Version 1 - 09/09/2002 *****

Modified funding per FTA grant award - AB